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Mr. Bill Mackey, AICP, Director of Planning City of Westminster 56 West Main Street, Suite 1 Westminster, Maryland 21157

LOCAL PLAN REVIEW: Westminster Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Growth Tier Map

Dear Mr. Mackey:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the proposed amendment to the Westminster Comprehensive Plan. The City of Westminster initially adopted its Growth Tier Map on December 7, 2012 by administrative action, in accordance with the Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act of 2012 (Senate Bill 236).

This proposed amendment incorporates the same map as reviewed by the Maryland Department of Planning ("Planning") in 2012. From the City's submission to Planning dated October 5, 2018, our understanding is that the City intends to incorporate, by amendment, the adopted Tier Map into the City's Comprehensive Plan. Once the Comprehensive Plan amendment incorporating the Tier Map is adopted by the City of Westminster, the City will have fulfilled the requirement under Section 1-509 of the Land Use Article that a local jurisdiction must incorporate the jurisdiction's adopted tier map into its comprehensive plan or an element of the plan.

If you desire further assistance, please contact David Cotton at (301) 777-2161. We appreciate your participation in the plan review process.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Boyd, AICP

Director, Planning Coordination

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